

2026-2027 CEC Bright Ideas Grant Application



To be considered for the Bright Ideas Grant Program, please complete the following application. Applications must be submitted or postmarked by **Nov. 6, 2026**.

1. **Only individual teachers may apply for funds up to \$800.** No team grants.
2. The principal's signature is required on the application. Please keep a copy for your records.
3. Only one application per project per school will be considered. Project **MUST BE HANDS ON AND HIGHLY INTERACTIVE.**
4. Proof of project/program completion is required by the end of the school year. Proof of completion can be submitted by recipients through photographs, media coverage, social media posts by the schools, or visits by CEC employees.
5. **Grants will NOT be awarded for any equipment or capital investments** (ex: iPads, tablets, computers, printers, projectors, playgrounds, chairs, tables, décor, computer programs, sensory furniture, etc.)

Mail completed application to:

Covington Electric Cooperative
Attn: Patty Singleton-Seay
Ref: Bright Ideas Program
18836 US Hwy 84
Andalusia, AL 36421

Or for more information contact:

<https://covington.coop>
(800) 239-4121 Ext. 3508
(334) 427-3508
psingleton@covington.coop

Applicant Name: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

School Name: _____ School Phone: _____

School Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Teacher e-mail Address: _____

Section A

Project/Program Name: _____

Number of students benefiting from the project/program: _____

Amount Requesting: \$ _____ **Would you accept partial funding?:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If so, what is the minimum amount needed to implement the project/program?: \$ _____

Will the items purchased with this grant be used for more than one school year?: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Project Summary (Describe creative, innovative, hands-on elements of the project in 200 words or less.

Section B

Attach additional sheets if necessary for any questions in this section.

Population (Describe students to be served, including grade level (100 words or less))

Goals (What are the goals or objectives of the project (200 words or less))

Needs & Benefits (How will the project address students' needs and provide ongoing benefits (200 words or less))

Evaluation (How will the project outcomes be evaluated (100 words or less))

How will the project be documented for CEC?

Have you ever received a Bright Ideas grant from CEC?

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Yes

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No

Have you received any other grant funding for this project?

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Yes

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No

Section C

I have read the guidelines and agree to the terms and conditions for the Bright Ideas Grant Program. Should I receive any monies from this program, I will adhere to the guidelines stated in this application.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Approval (please check):

- ☐ This application has been reviewed and approved by the principal of this school.
- ☐ This application is not a request money for salaries or professional development.

Signature of Principal: _____

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